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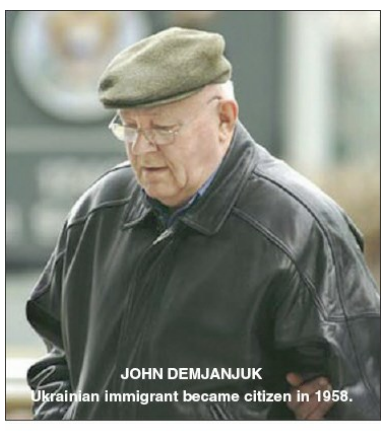

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Frail Old Man Faces Bloodlust of Israeli Lobby

By Michael Collins Piper

An 89-year-old retired Cleveland autoworker, Ukrainian immigrant John Demjanjuk is— yet again—facing deportation from the United States.

The government of occupied Germany has charged Demjanjuk, who became an American citizen in 1958, with 29,000 counts of being an accessory to murder. It's alleged that Demjanjuk—who had been a member of the Soviet Army captured by the Germans during World War II—became a guard at the Sobibor work camp in Poland. There, it is said, Demjanjuk helped usher at least 29,000 to their executions.

On the face of it, the charge against the old man is fraudulent because reputable historians have refuted stories of such mass killing at Sobibor.

Despite Demjanjuk's advanced age and multiple physical disorders including severe spinal, hip and leg pain, a bone marrow disorder, kidney disease, anemia, kidney stones, arthritis, gout and spinal deterioration, repeated efforts by his attorneys to stop his deportation have failed.

So it is likely that Demjanjuk will be taken to Germany and tried for his alleged crimes and—considering the notoriously corrupt and venal nature of the courts in Germany—he will almost certainly be convicted and face the rest of his life in confinement.

This is not Demjanjuk's first brush with legal terror. In 1981, Demjanjuk was stripped of his citizenship when the U.S. Justice Department claimed that he was an infamous Nazi guard known as "Ivan the Terrible" at the Treblinka work camp in Poland.

After five years of contentious legal battles, he was extradited to Israel and there found guilty of war crimes and crimes against humanity and sentenced to die on the hangman's noose.

During Demjanjuk's tribulation, a U.S. federal judge condemned, by name, the Anti-Defamation League (ADL) of B'nai B'rith, an arm of Israel's intelligence agency, the Mossad, and said that the ADL was engaged in a vicious covert campaign against Demjanjuk, pinpointing the ADL as one of the primary forces working to destroy the beleaguered Ukrainian-American.

However, after an American businessman, the late Jerome Brentar, intervened and convinced then-Rep. Jim Traficant (D-Ohio) that there was solid evidence disproving the claim that Demjanjuk was "Ivan," Traficant worked energetically on Demjanjuk's behalf. The Israeli Supreme Court ruled in 1993 that Demjanjuk was not "Ivan"—doubting even the word of some so-called "holocaust survivors" who said that he was—and Demjanjuk returned to the United States, with his citizenship ultimately restored.

Traficant was the only member of Congress who would dare to speak out on Demjanjuk's behalf and indeed paid a mighty price for doing so.

Angry at Traficant having shown the Justice Department's campaign against Demjanjuk for the fraud that it was, Justice Department prosecutors subsequently conjured an equally trumped-up corruption case against Traficant that—tried before a biased judge and a jury dominated by a loud and pushy supporter of Israel— resulted in Traficant being sentenced to prison in 2002 and there he remains to this day, awaiting release later this year. [See item on page 15.—Ed.]

Ironically, one of the Justice Department lawyers responsible for the Demjanjuk frame-up, Neal Sher, was later accused of embezzling money from a fund that was earmarked for Jewish people who described themselves as "holocaust survivors."

In the end, new claims against Demjanjuk were dredged up by the so-called "nazi hunting" division of U.S. Justice Department which now claimed that he had been a camp guard at Sobibor, Majdanek and Flossenburg. His citizenship was revoked in 2002. An immigration judge ruled in 2005 that Demjanjuk could thus be deported to Ukraine, Poland or Germany. And for its part, the German government obliged those who control it, and leveled the ridiculous 29,000 charges against the old man.

Had it not been for Jerome Brentar, a long and good friend of *American Free Press* and of *The Spotlight* before it, Demjanjuk would have been hanged on an Israeli scaffold 16 years ago.

Brentar, a Croatian-American of deep Christian faith, spent time in Europe at the end of World War II as a U.S. Army officer in charge of processing German prisoners of war. Later he worked in Europe with the International Refugee Organization clearing immigrants to the United States, ensuring, among things, that they were not possible "Nazi war criminals." When he became aware of the Demjanjuk case, and with his specialized background, Brentar realized that many of the so-called documents that were being used against Demjanjuk were clearly frauds.

At that juncture Brentar jumped into the fray and virtually abandoned his own business, a successful travel agency, and expended $2 million of his own funds and resources on Demjanjuk's behalf, paying lawyer's fees, translators, multiple international airline flights, hotel costs, meals and witness fees.

Amazingly, although the Demjanjuk family had promised that Brentar would be reimbursed out of the millions of dollars that were raised for the Demjanjuk defense fund from concerned people in the United States and around the world who were outraged at the treatment of Demjanjuk, the family left the dedicated Brentar in the lurch—the man who had literally saved their father's life. The once prosperous businessman ended up in retirement, living only on his Social Security pension.

Although Brentar sought repayment, the Demjanjuks refused, even calling the police on Brentar after he visited them at their home. Brentar ultimately won a $90,000 judgment in a civil action against the Demjanjuks, but that was far from the millions he expended on their behalf.

Demjankuk, incidentally, was not the only target of the Jewish lobby and the Justice Department to whom Brentar lent his aid. Others included famed scientist Dr. Arthur Rudolf, Hans Bartesch, and FrankWalus—all of whom were falsely accused of having participated in "war crimes." Walus later said that Brentar had saved his life.

So many people who knew Brentar—including this author—invariably called him one of the most decent, honorable, kind and gentle human beings they ever met. "Jerry" Brentar died, sadly, in 2006 after falling and injuring his head at home.

FLASH! As this issue goes to press, a three-judge panel of the 6th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals has granted a stay to reconsider Demjanjuk's motion to reopen the case.

What Price Did Traficant Pay for Defending Demjanjuk?

Excerpted from Target: Traficant,* chapter 2 . . .

Certain American Jewish organizations (collaborating with the Soviet KGB at the time) had accused the Ukraine-born Demjanjuk of having been a concentration camp guard during WorldWar II. Demjanjuk insisted that he was not the alleged "Ivan the Terrible" (as the concentration camp guard was supposedly known by the Jewish inmates) and thousands of people around the country rallied behind Demjanjuk, sending him money to support his defense.

However, until Jim Traficant came along, not one single member of Congress (including Demjanjuk's own congressman) would come to Demjanjuk's support, despite a considerable array of evidence that had been assembled to demonstrate that Demjanjuk was not "Ivan the Terrible."

So when Traficant came to recognize that Demjanjuk had been railroaded, stripped of his U.S. citizenship and deported to Israel for trial, Traficant used the powers at his disposal to investigate the Demjanjuk affair. Ultimately Traficant was able to bring forth evidence that even the Israeli Supreme Court acknowledged was exculpatory and thereby set aside Demjanjuk's conviction and the sentence of death which had been levied upon the innocent man.

. . . For daring to speak out on Demjanjuk's behalf, Traficant became the target of influential American Jewish organizations and their allies in the Justice Department's so-called "Nazi-hunting unit," the Office of Special Investigations. . . .

****Target: Traficant*** is available from AFP for $25. Free S&H in U.S. Call 1-888-699-6397. USe Visa/MasterCard. By mail use form on page 16.

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